

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
concerning

TENTATIVE WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
FOR
CITY COLFAX
COLFAX LANDFILL
CLASS III LANDFILL
CLOSURE, POST-CLOSURE MAINTENANCE
AND CORRECTIVE ACTION
PLACER COUNTY

The Colfax Landfill is a 3-acre unlined landfill on Iowa Hill Road approximately one mile southeast of the City of Colfax. The landfill operated from the early 1960s to mid-1988 accepting primarily household wastes. The site previously operated as a burn dump. Most of the landfill was closed in 2000 and 2001 with an approved engineered alternative cover consisting of asphalt concrete on the crest and compacted soil on the upper slopes. The remaining portion of the landfill, the lower slopes, is scheduled for closure in October 2005. Closure is necessary to comply with Title 27 regulations and as a corrective action measure to address historically detected leachate seeps and groundwater impacts including slightly elevated concentrations of chloride and sulfate in down gradient wells. Notwithstanding these impacts, overall groundwater quality at the site remains good with total dissolved solids less than 250 mg/L (below the 500 mg/L secondary drinking water standard) in all wells.

Regional Board staff proposes to request the Regional Board to approve tentative revised waste discharge requirements (WDRs) that prescribe updated requirements for closure, post closure maintenance, and corrective action for of the landfill.

A **formal** public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Regional Board meeting which is scheduled for:

DATE: 20 and 21 October 2005
TIME: 8:30 a.m.
PLACE: 11020 Sun Center Drive, #200,
Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114

The designated parties for this hearing are as follows:

- Staff of Central Valley Regional Board
- City of Colfax

Only designated parties will have these rights: to call and examine witnesses; to introduce exhibits; to cross-examine opposing witnesses; to impeach any witness; and to rebut the evidence against him or her. All other persons wishing to testify or provide comments are interested persons and not designated parties. Such interested persons may request status as a designated party for purposes of this hearing by submitting such request in writing to the Board no later than **19 September 2005**.

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The request must explain the basis for status as a designated party and in particular how the person is directly affected by the discharge.

Persons wishing to comment on this noticed hearing item must submit testimony, evidence, if any, and/or comments in writing to the Regional Board no later than **19 September 2005**. Written evidence or comments submitted after **19 September 2005** will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record if doing so would prejudice any party.

All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Regional Board meeting, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony and cross examination will be limited in time by the Board Chair.

Anyone having questions on the tentative WDRs for the Colfax Landfill should contact John Moody at (916) 464-4641. Interested parties may download the proposed Order and related documents from the Regional Board's Internet website at <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/tentative>. Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Regional Board's office at 11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m..

The procedures governing Regional Water Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and is available upon request. Hearings before the Regional Water Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq. The procedures may be obtained by accessing http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_laws. Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Regional Board's website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_meetings/mtgprocd.html or by contacting any one of the Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Janice Tanaka at (916) 464-4839.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Janice Tanaka at (916) 464-4839 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

Original signed by

Jack E. Del Conte, Assistant Executive Officer

18 August 2005